

ARIZONA CASE PROCESSING TIME STANDARDS SUMMARY CHART

SUPERIOR COURTS			
CASE TYPE	STANDARD	CALCULATION OF TIME	EXCLUDED TIME
CIVIL CASES (Effective Date: January 1, 2015)	60% within 180 days 90% within 365 days 96% within 540 days	Filing of initial complaint through disposition (e.g., dismissal, judgment). Note: Start counting on the day the case number is received/case is opened in Superior court.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-adjudication special actions/appeals • Bankruptcy • Servicemembers Civil Relief Act
FELONY CASES (Effective Date: January 1, 2015)	65% within 90 days 85% within 180 days 96% within 365 days	Filing of first charging document (e.g., information, indictment or complaint) through disposition (e.g., dismissal, acquittal, or judgment and sentencing). Note: Start counting on the day the case number is received/case is opened in Superior court.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-adjudication warrants • Rule 11 mental competency • Pre-adjudication diversion • Specialty courts/programs • Pre-adjudication special actions/appeals
FAMILY LAW DISSOLUTION AND ALLOCATION OF PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY (Effective Date: July 1, 2015)	75% within 180 days 90% within 270 days 98% within 365 days ✓ Includes all pre-adjudication family law cases, such as dissolution, legal separation, annulment, establishment of paternity, legal decision-making, parenting time, and child support.	The date of filing to the date of disposition by entry of judgment/decreed or order.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-adjudication special actions/appeals • Bankruptcy • Servicemembers Civil Relief Act • Conciliation Court, which includes mediation and arbitration – (Petition for Stay filed) • Pending juvenile cases

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PROBATE GUARDIANSHIP/ CONSERVATORSHIP (Effective Date: January 1, 2016)	80% within 90 days 98% within 365 days ✓ Excludes guardianship/ conservatorship of a minor. ✓ The appointment of temporary guardian/ conservators and appointment of guardian ad litem are excluded. ✓ Orders appointing limited guardian are included.	Filing of petition for appointment of guardian/conservator through denial of the petition or issuance of a court order appointing a fiduciary on a non- temporary basis.	No excluded time.
PROBATE MENTAL HEALTH (Effective Date: January 1, 2016)	98% within 15 days ✓ Petitions for court- ordered evaluation are excluded. ✓ Petitions for court- ordered treatment are included.	Filing of petition through disposition (e.g., patient released or issuance of a court order for treatment).	No excluded time.
FAMILY LAW PRE- DECREE TEMPORARY ORDERS (Effective Date: July 1, 2016)	90% within 60 days 98% within 120 days	The date the motion for temporary order is filed to the date of disposition by entry of a temporary order.	No excluded time.
CRIMINAL POST- CONVICTION RELIEF (Effective Date: July 1, 2016)	94% within 180 days ✓ Capital cases are included.	Filing of petition for post-conviction relief through disposition (e.g., dismissed/denied or relief granted).	No excluded time.

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EX PARTE PROTECTION ORDERS (Effective Date: July 1, 2019)	99% within 24 hours ✓ Injunctions Against Harassment and Injunctions Against Workplace Harassment are included.	The date the petition for protective order is filed to the date the protective order is issued or denied.	No excluded time.
FAMILY LAW POST- JUDGMENT MOTIONS (Effective Date: July 1, 2020)	50% within 180 days 90% within 270 days 98% within 365 days	The date of filing a post-decree or post- judgment petition/motion to the date of disposition by entry of a judgment or order.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Servicemembers Civil Relief Act • Pending juvenile cases
LIMITED JURISDICTION COURT APPEALS (Effective Date: July 1, 2020)	75% within 180 days 99% within 365 days	Superior Court filing date through date appeal is decided (e.g., affirmed, reversed, remanded).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay of proceedings for special actions/appeals.

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PROTECTION ORDER CONTESTED HEARING	90% within 10 days 98% within 30 days ✓ Injunctions Against Harassment and Injunctions Against Workplace Harassment are included.	The date the request for hearing is filed to the date the protective order is affirmed, modified, or quashed.	No excluded time.

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JUVENILE CASES			
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DELINQUENCY AND STATUS OFFENSE (Effective Date: January 1, 2015) *Updated standard effective August 1, 2016	75% within 60 days 90% within 90 days 98% within 135 days ✓ Excludes cases with warrants, diversion, or mental competency proceedings.	Filing of petition through disposition.	No excluded time.
NEGLECT AND ABUSE (DEPENDENCY) (Effective Date: July 1, 2015)	<u>Adjudication Hearing:</u> 98% within 100 days	<u>Adjudication Hearing:</u> Date of filing through a finding of dependency.	No excluded time.
NEGLECT AND ABUSE (DEPENDENCY) (Effective Date: January 1, 2015)	<u>Permanency Hearing:</u> 98% of children under 3 years of age within 180 days of removal. 98% of all other cases within 365 days of removal	<u>Permanency Hearing:</u> Date of removal through permanent plan determination.	No excluded time.
TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS (DEPENDENCY) (Effective Date: January 1, 2015)	90% within 120 days 98% within 180 days ✓ Adoption cases are excluded.	Filing of motion/petition for termination of parental rights through entry of dismissal or order of termination.	No excluded time.

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MISDEMEANOR DUI (Effective Date: January 1, 2015)	85% within 120 days 93% within 180 days ✓ Criminal misdemeanor cases are excluded. ✓ Criminal traffic cases are excluded. ✓ Criminal local ordinance cases are excluded.	Filing of complaint through disposition (e.g., dismissal, acquittal, or judgment and sentencing).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warrants • Rule 11 mental competency • Pre-adjudication diversion • Specialty courts/programs • Pre-adjudication special actions/appeals
CIVIL TRAFFIC (Effective Date: July 1, 2015) *Updated standard effective July 1, 2016	80% within 60 days 98% within 90 days ✓ Civil local ordinance cases are excluded. ✓ Photo-Radar tickets are excluded. ✓ Parking tickets are excluded.	Filing of Arizona Traffic Ticket and Complaint (ATTC) or by long-form complaint through disposition (e.g., dismissal, judgment).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-adjudication special actions/appeals • Pre-adjudication diversion • Defensive driving school programs • Specialty courts/programs • Servicemembers Civil Relief Act
MISDEMEANOR (Effective Date: January 1, 2016) *Updated standard effective July 1, 2016	75% within 60 days 90% within 90 days 98% within 180 days ✓ Criminal traffic cases are included. ✓ Petty offenses are included. ✓ Criminal local ordinance cases are included. ✓ DUI cases are excluded; these cases have separate case processing goals.	Filing of complaint through disposition (e.g., dismissal, acquittal, or judgment and sentencing).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warrants • Rule 11 mental competency • Pre-adjudication diversion • Specialty courts/programs • Pre-adjudication special actions/appeals
JUSTICE COURT CIVIL CASES (Effective Date: January 1, 2016)	75% within 180 days 90% within 270 days 98% within 365 days	Filing of initial complaint through disposition (e.g., dismissal, judgment).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-adjudication special actions/appeals • Bankruptcy • Servicemembers Civil Relief Act

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EVICTION ACTIONS (Effective Date: July 1, 2016)	98% within 10 days ✓ Residential rental of a dwelling unit, ARS Title 33, Chapter 10; Mobile Home, ARS Title 33, Chapter 11; Rental of RV in RV Park >180 days, ARS Title 33, Chapter 19; and General Landlord Tenant, ARS Title 33, Chapter 3 are included. ✓ Commercial evictions are included.	Filing of initial complaint through disposition (e.g., dismissal, judgment).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-adjudication special actions/appeals • Bankruptcy • Servicemembers Civil Relief Act
CIVIL LOCAL ORDINANCES (Effective Date: July 1, 2016)	75% within 60 days 90% within 90 days 98% within 180 days	Filing of initial complaint through disposition (e.g., dismissal, judgment).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-adjudication special actions/appeals • Bankruptcy • Servicemembers Civil Relief Act
SMALL CLAIMS (Effective Date: August 1, 2016)	75% within 100 days 90% within 150 days 98% within 180 days	Filing of initial complaint through disposition (e.g., dismissal, judgment).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bankruptcy • Servicemembers Civil Relief Act
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